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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PROCEED WITH THE
ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF A SELECTIVE CATALYST REDUCTION
SYSTEM WITH A VALUE OF OVER \$250,000
(SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request approval for the Los Angeles County's (County) Purchasing Agent to proceed with the acquisition and installation of a Selective Catalyst Reduction (SCR) System.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Authorize the Internal Services Department (ISD), as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the acquisition and installation of a SCR System in an amount of \$795,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this recommended action is to obtain Board approval to authorize the County's Purchasing Agent to proceed with the acquisition and installation of a SCR System to reduce emission of nitrogen oxides (NOX) from 30 parts per million (PPM) to 5 PPM based on the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1146-2 (c) (2) (A) Enhanced Compliance Limit rule 1146 to support three Murray steam boilers, which are a critical component of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Men's Central Jail (MCJ) and Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF), and Superior Court Facilities for space heating, for sterilizing equipment and domestic hot water supply. The Department must comply with SCAQMD boiler emission rule 1146 by the end of 2013 for burner retrofits. Pursuant to Title 8 California Code of Regulations, the Department must maintain and operate the MCJ, TTCF and Superior Court Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system to State building standards.

Time is of the essence for the Department to be in compliance by January 1, 2014, to avoid steep fines from SCAQMD as well as boiler rentals. Steam supply failure would have a negative impact on the environment and working conditions for the Department's employees and the inmates housed at MCJ; thereby requiring the inmates to be relocated.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acquisition of the system and services is necessary to meet the SCAQMD emission requirements of the Department and supports the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated cost of all the extra work, including labor and materials will not exceed \$795,000, which will be funded by the Department's Inmate Welfare Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Board policy adopted on October 16, 2001, any equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater requires Board approval prior to Purchasing Agent action to acquire the equipment. Additionally, because the services component associated with the installation labor costs may exceed the authority of the Purchasing Agent, Board approval is required to proceed with this aspect of the acquisition.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This purchase will be requisitioned through and accomplished by the Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's Purchasing Policies and Procedures, established by ISD.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current Department operations and services if all the repairs are done promptly.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return two adopted copies of the Board letter to the Department's Administrative and Training Division, Facilities Services Bureau.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Leroy" being more prominent than the last name "Baca".

LEROY D. BACA
Sheriff

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